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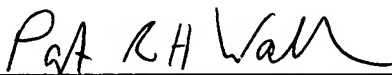
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 5, 2005, Applicant hereby requests entry of the following election.

**ELECTION**

Applicant hereby elects the species of Fig. 1 for prosecution on the merits, with traverse.

Applicant submits that it might be inaccurate to state that any of the pending claims "read on" any of the figures, since the pending claims (claims 1-34 and 55-73) relate to methods having steps that may not be conveyed by the anatomical features or catheter systems depicted in the figures. Accordingly, Applicant submits that claims 1-34 and 55-73 are all believed to relate to subject matter at least in part disclosed in Figure 1 and therefore are all believed to represent a grouping representative of the elected species.